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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH 37 C.F.R. §§1.97-1.98

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure imposed by 37 C.F.R. §1.56 to inform the Patent Office of all references known by Applicant or Applicant's representative that may be material to the examination of the subject application, Applicant's representative hereby provides this Information Disclosure Statement that is prepared in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97-1.98. Form PTO-1449 (18 pages) and copies of the cited references are provided herewith in connection with the above-captioned application.

The documents listed on the Form PTO-1449 are in the English language with the exception of items IW, JA, JB, JF, JG, JH, JL, and JK. Item IW, European patent 0 557 831. which is in the German language is provided with a Derwent English language abstract (Item LP) describing the subject matter. Items JF and JK, Japanese patents 4130247 and 9119894. which are in the Japanese language are provided with certified English language translations (Items LK and LL). Items JA, JB, JG, JH and JL (Japanese patents 755688, 862134, 6310157, 6503645 and 9178748, respectively), which are in the Japanese language are provided with English language equivalents (Items HW, JM, CY, HO and JI, respectively). Hence, in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.98, as amended effective March 16, 1992, no further explanation of the listed item is necessary.

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